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"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
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GROUP 2853"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
YOSHIKI YOSHIDA : EXAMINER: AL HASHIMI, SARAH  
SERIAL NO: 10/785,117 :  
FILED: FEBRUARY 25, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2853  
FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS, :  
AN OPTICAL SCANNING APPARATUS  
AND AN IMAGE FORMING METHOD

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 25 of this paper.